Historic Oak View from Home

MAKE A CORN HUSK DOLL



For this activity you'll need:

- Packet of corn husks (available at most grocery stores)
- Scissors
- String or yarn

Instructions begin on the next page (adult supervision is suggested).

Instructions:

<u>1</u>. Start by soaking some of the corn husks in water to soften them. You'll need about six husks per doll. Dry off with a towel.



<u>2</u>. Take four corn husks and tie them together with string near the narrow bottom.



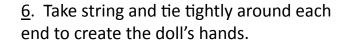
<u>3</u>. Fold the corn husks down over the tied-off area as if you were peeling a banana.



<u>4</u>. Make the doll's head by tying a string tightly around the end that you just pulled husks over. Be sure to double knot it.



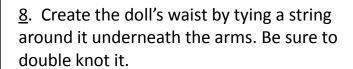
<u>5</u>. Now take a smaller piece of corn husk and roll it up to begin making the doll's arms.







<u>7</u>. Take your doll and separate the corn husks so you can slide the arms up inbetween the front and back husks.







<u>9</u>. Now create a top for the doll . Cut a piece of husk in two lengthwise. Wrap each piece around the neck of the doll to form an X in front. Secure it with tied string.



<u>10</u>. Last, take the scissors and cut off all the extra strings hanging from your knots. This doll, wearing a dress, is finished!



<u>11</u>. To make a doll that wears pants, take scissors and carefully cut through the center of the dress to about an inch below the waist.



<u>12</u>. Take string and tie a knot at the bottom of each leg to create feet. Cut off the extra string from your knots. You're finished!

